



SURRY COUNTY AMERICAN REVOLUTION
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September 13, 1974

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Dear Educator:

The Youth Division of the Surry County Bicentennial Commission is planning to develop a program in cooperation with the schools of Surry County to encourage an interest and awareness in Surry history. A meeting of all history teachers in the county, with emphasis on United States and North Carolina history teachers, is planned for these alternative dates: Monday, Sept. 23, or Monday, Sept. 30. There is space below to indicate preference of date. You may also put down an alternate date of your own. The meeting will be held at Surry Community College in the teaching auditorium at 7:30 p.m. A self-addressed envelope is included for your convenience and/or phone number to contact the Bicentennial Office. Please at the bottom include your home and school phone number.

At this meeting, suggestions will be discussed concerning the programs and some guidelines drawn up for projects. Several possibilities are:

1. devoting a week to Surry County history in class.
2. sponsoring an essay contest on Surry history, folklore, Indians, etc.
3. exhibits.
4. publication of a history magazine for three months in June, July, and August, 1976.
5. inviting knowledgeable persons to lecture on Surry history in class.

These are only suggestions; we would welcome your ideas and advice at this planning meeting. Please try to attend. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Edward J. Spanski, Jr.
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Executive Director

CHECK ONE, DETACH AND MAIL IN ENVELOPE PROVIDED:

Monday, Sept. 23 _____

Monday, Sept. 30 ☒ _____

Alternate date of your choice _____

PHONE:

School 786 - 2569

Home 786 - 5530

N. Surry

Vivian Lowe
Rt. 9
Box 386

ant
cannot come interested.

CHECK ONE, DETACH AND MAIL IN ENVELOPE PROVIDED:

Monday, Sept. 23 _____

Monday, Sept. 30 ✓

Alternate date of your choice _____

PHONE: 786-7606 School Mt. Airy Jr. High

→ Home 341 Franklin St.

Shirley Moore

no answer

CHECK ONE, DE

MAIL IN ENVELOPE PROVIDED:

Monday, Sept. 23 ☒

Monday, Sept. 30 ☐

Alternate date of your choice

PHONE:

School Sunny Central - 386-8842

Home 366-4834

Zephan

Will come.

Sandy White

CHECK ONE, DETACH AND MAIL IN ENVELOPE PROVIDED:

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Monday, Sept. 30 ✓

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PHONE:

School 786-4950

Home 789-3446

will come

Tony G. Phillips
358 Robin Rd., Mt. Airy, N.C. 27030

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Alternate date of your choice Oct. 7

PHONE:

School East Surry 368-4541

Home 368-4135

Harry O. Downs

no answer.

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PHONE:

School

Mt. Airy Sr. High

786-6062

Any time After Nov. 5th

Home

Pilot Mbr.

368-4591

Mr. Spanski,

I am running for the N.C. House on the Democratic ticket &
I am extremely busy. Let me know when you meet & I will
try to attend.

Thank you, David H. Diamond

3685167

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PHONE:

289-3531 →

School 786-2569

Home _____

Bud Cameron

Cannot come tonight, came last week -

may come ~~tomorrow~~ Tues - about 9:00 PM

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Monday, Sept. 30 ☒ _____

Alternate date of your choice _____

PHONE:

School _____

Home 789-3048

Mike Hiestl

YES

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Monday, Sept. 23 X

Monday, Sept. 30 _____

Alternate date of your choice _____

PHONE:

School 786-2569

Home 374-2268

David Cross

Judy Simpson

yes

*I would prefer
a meeting at
4:00 p.m. any
afternoon*



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Name Sandy White
School Surry Central Ph. 386-8842
Home address Rt. 1, Box 199 Ph. 366-4834
Elkin, N.C. 28621

Area of Interest: Circle those areas which you would like to participate in for the Bicentennial:

1. Local history: research and writing.
2. Genealogies; graveyard lists,
3. Indian archaeology
4. Folk music and instruments.
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Home address Rt. 2, Pinnacle, N.C. 27043 Ph. 368-4135

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Yes! I am interested in participating in our Bicentennial Celebration in the following capacity! (Circle those activities in which you would serve.)

Name JUDY SIMPSON Phone 286-266

Address NORTH SURRY

Organization _____

Heritage Division: historical research; writing of county history; Black history; Indian history and archaeology (arrowhead, pottery, burial mounds, etc.); genealogies; organization histories, museum and archives collection. Bill Sanders, Chairman.

Festival Division: Don Nance, Chairman. This division will put on a 300 cast historical musical extravaganza in the summer of 1976; we need a cast sommittee, stage managing, properties collected and supervision during the show, costumes distribution and care, backstage work on props, curtains, electrical, sound, lighting, dancer, narrator, actors.

Finance Committee: Frank Badgett and David Myers. Financial campaigns and solicitations.

Publicity Division: Verona West, Chairwoman. Gathering information and writing; speakers bureau; special projects, media relations.

Promotions: Glenn Robertson, Chairman. Planning of community meetings about the Bicentennial; educational liasons; planning of community projects.

Activities: Ruth Minick, Chairwoman. Restoration of Franklin house and other historic sites; planning of county museum and auditorium; exhibits and landmarks (Hugh Atkinson); historic markers and sites; maps; bike trails; historic bus tours.



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Name Julia M. Holtzouser (Mrs. M.C.)
School Elkin High School Ph. 835-
Home address 142 Hawthorne Rd, Elkin Ph. 835-5479

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LOCAL HISTORY

HIS 210 - Local History and Biography

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A study of research methods and sources for the writing of family, church, school, and community history.

COURSE OUTLINE

- Session 1 INTRODUCTION: Introduction to the course and project emphasis.
- Session 2 BIBLIOGRAPHY: Primary sources, bibliography, library usage and tour.
- Session 3 FEDERAL & COUNTY RECORDS: Types and sources including census records.
- Session 4 THE COURTHOUSE & LOCAL HISTORY: The class will meet at the Surry County courthouse for a tour of the Register of Deeds and the Clerk of Court's offices.
- Session 5 FAMILY RECORDS: Types and uses; family group history sheets, and a guest lecturer on "Compiling Your Family Line: Problems and Fun".
- Session 6 RESEARCH AT THE STATE LEVEL: A talk by a representative from the State Archives, Raleigh, N. C.
- Session 7 SATURDAY AT THE ARCHIVES: Class will meet at the Archives for a brief tour and work on research projects.
- Session 8 DENOMINATIONAL SOURCES: N. C. repositories with types of information found.
- Session 9 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN N. C.: Research in manuscript sources; locations; finding aids, and newspapers as sources for local history.
- Session 10 MILITARY HISTORY & CIVIL WAR RESEARCH: Bibliography, where to find it and class assignments.
- Session 11 PROJECT REPORTS: Class will present.

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1. Your idea for recognition of a historical site in Surry County:
Give a brief description of the site and where it is located.

2. If you have any information or possess documents (that is, diaries,
photographs, genealogies, letters) relating to Surry County history
please give brief description of who has possession of them and where
they can be located. Thank you: